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1. The Molotov (58°0'N/56°15'W) military airfield is located about 2.5 km south of the junction of the main highway and the Transsiberian railroad line and about 5 km south of the perimeter of the city. It is situated on level terrain. The east edge of the installation extended as far as about 50 meters to the main highway leading to the south. The landing field had about the shape of a pentagon. It did not have clear-cut boundaries. The corners of the airfield had red/white landing lights. The west-east extension of the field was several kilometers, the north-south extension about 3.5 km. The landing field was dry and had a firm grass cover. The length of the concrete runway could not be determined. It was about 80 meters wide.
2. Two or three white concrete hangars, each about 150 x 55 x 10 meters and with curved corrugated sheet metal roofs and large slide doors, were located on the northern edge of the field. Two five-story buildings, each 40 x 30 meters, with various ring antennas and wind socks on their roofs were observed in the northeastern corner of the field. Several antenna towers, 10 to 15 meters high and about 25 meters apart, were situated in front of these buildings. The antenna towers were interconnected by wires. A continuously rotating searchlight was observed near the railroad bridge over the Kama River, several km west of the field.
3. Another airfield with two or three brick buildings in its northern corner was located on the northern perimeter of Molotov, about 1 km southeast of the Kama River. Several U-2s from which parachuting was practiced from altitudes of up to 3,000 or 4,000 meters were stationed at this field.

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Legend

- 1 Military airfield
- 2 Runway
- 3 Three hangars
- 4 Two buildings
- 5 Aircraft dispersal area
- 6 Railroad loading point
- 7 Zavod 33
- 8 Two low wooden buildings occupied by army units
- 9 PW Camp No /10
- 10 Zavod 19
- 11 Brickyard 2
- 12 Brickyard 1
- 13 Two low wooden buildings occupied by army units
- 14 Main railroad station
- 15 Telephone factory
- 16 Naval school or barracks installation
- 17 Railroad bridge
- 18 Force labor camp
- 19 Six low wooden buildings occupied by German civilian prisoners
- 20 Transsiberian railroad line
- 21 Airfield north of Molotov
- 22 Three brick buildings
- 23 Dwellings
- 24 Gun factory
- 25 Gun depot
- 26 Harbor on the Kama River
- 27 Village, name not known.

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